

Statistics 583, Problem Set 9 Solutions

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1. (a) Wasserman, problem 4.7.3, page 59: prove that

$$R(f(x), \hat{f}_n(x)) \equiv E(f(x) - \hat{f}_n(x))^2 = \text{bias}_x^2 + \text{Var}[\hat{f}_n(x)].$$

(b) Wasserman, problem 4.7.3, page 59: Let X_1, \dots, X_n be an i.i.d. sample from a $N(\theta, 1)$ distribution with density $f_\theta(x) = \phi(x - \theta)$ where ϕ is the standard normal density function $\phi(z) = (2\pi)^{-1/2} \exp(-z^2/2)$. Consider the density estimator $\hat{f}(x) = f_{\hat{\theta}}(x) = \phi(x - \hat{\theta})$ where $\hat{\theta} = \bar{X}_n$ is the sample mean. Find the risk of \hat{f} .

Solution: (a) This is easy:

$$\begin{aligned} R(f(x), \hat{f}_n(x)) &\equiv E(f(x) - \hat{f}_n(x))^2 \\ &= E(f(x) - E\hat{f}_n(x) + E\hat{f}_n(x) - \hat{f}_n(x))^2 \\ &= (f(x) - E\hat{f}_n(x))^2 + 2(f(x) - E\hat{f}_n(x))E(E\hat{f}_n(x) - \hat{f}_n(x)) \\ &\quad + E(E\hat{f}_n(x) - \hat{f}_n(x))^2 \\ &= \text{bias}_x^2 + \text{Var}[\hat{f}_n(x)]. \end{aligned}$$

(b) This is a good example of how asymptotic theory can give a very good indication of the behavior of risks and variances while exact calculations are quite difficult. First the simple analysis via asymptotic theory: since $\sqrt{n}(\hat{\theta} - \theta) = \sqrt{n}(\bar{X}_n - \theta) \rightarrow_d Z \sim N(0, 1)$ (and, in fact $\sqrt{n}(\bar{X}_n - \theta) =_d Z$ for every n), and since $g(\theta) \equiv \phi(x - \theta)$ is differentiable with derivative $g'(\theta) = -\phi'(x - \theta) = (x - \theta)\phi(x - \theta)$ since $\phi'(z) = -z\phi(z)$, it follows from the delta method that

$$\begin{aligned} \sqrt{n}(f_{\hat{\theta}}(x) - f_\theta(x)) &= \sqrt{n}(\phi(x - \hat{\theta}) - \phi(x - \theta)) \\ &\rightarrow_d (x - \theta)\phi(x - \theta)Z \sim N(0, (x - \theta)^2\phi^2(x - \theta)). \end{aligned}$$

Thus we might expect to be able to show that

$$nR(f(x), \hat{f}_n(x)) = nE[(f_{\hat{\theta}}(x) - f(x))^2] \rightarrow (x - \theta)^2\phi^2(x - \theta) = (x - \theta)^2 f(x)^2.$$

Now for the more difficult exact calculation. First note that

$$(\hat{f}_n(x) - f(x))^2 = f(x)^2 \left\{ \frac{\hat{f}_n(x)}{f(x)} - 1 \right\}^2$$

where

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{\widehat{f}_n(x)}{f(x)} &= \frac{\phi(x - \bar{X})}{\phi(x - \theta)} = \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}(x - \bar{X})^2 + \frac{1}{2}(x - \theta)^2\right) \\
&= \exp\left((x - \mu)(\bar{X} - \theta) - (\bar{X} - \theta)^2/2\right) \\
&\stackrel{d}{=} \exp\left(\frac{x - \theta}{\sqrt{n}}Z - \frac{1}{2n}Z^2\right)
\end{aligned}$$

by writing

$$\begin{aligned}
(x - \bar{X})^2 &= (x - \theta + \theta - \bar{X})^2 \\
&= (x - \theta)^2 + 2(x - \theta)(\theta - \bar{X}) + (\theta - \bar{X})^2.
\end{aligned}$$

Thus

$$\begin{aligned}
&E[(\widehat{f}_n(x) - f(x))^2] \\
&= f(x)^2 E\left\{\frac{\widehat{f}_n(x)}{f(x)} - 1\right\}^2 \\
&= f(x)^2 E\left\{\exp\left(\frac{x - \theta}{\sqrt{n}}Z - \frac{1}{2n}Z^2\right) - 1\right\}^2 \\
&= f(x)^2 E\left\{\exp\left(\frac{2(x - \theta)}{\sqrt{n}}Z - \frac{1}{n}Z^2\right) - 2\exp\left(\frac{x - \theta}{\sqrt{n}}Z - \frac{1}{2n}Z^2\right) + 1\right\}
\end{aligned}$$

Now

$$\begin{aligned}
E\exp(bZ - (a/2)Z^2) &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \exp(bz - (a/2)z^2) \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \exp(-z^2/2) dz \\
&= \frac{1}{\sqrt{1+a}} \exp\left(\frac{b^2}{2(1+a)}\right). \tag{1}
\end{aligned}$$

by a standard calculation (or by Mathematica). Thus, by using (1) first with $b = 2(x - \theta)/\sqrt{n}$, $a = 2/n$, and then with $b = (x - \theta)/\sqrt{n}$, $a = 1/n$, we find that

$$\begin{aligned}
&E[(\widehat{f}_n(x) - f(x))^2] \\
&= f^2(x) \left\{ \frac{1}{\sqrt{1+2/n}} \exp\left(\frac{4(x - \theta)^2}{2n(1+2/n)}\right) - \frac{2}{\sqrt{1+1/n}} \exp\left(\frac{(x - \theta)^2}{2n(1+1/n)}\right) + 1 \right\} \\
&= f^2(x) \left\{ \frac{1}{\sqrt{1+2/n}} \exp\left(\frac{2(x - \theta)^2}{2(n+2)}\right) - \frac{2}{\sqrt{1+1/n}} \exp\left(\frac{(x - \theta)^2}{2(n+1)}\right) + 1 \right\}.
\end{aligned}$$

Here is a plot of the exact risks (assuming the normal model is true) for $n = 20, 100, \text{ and } 500$ together with the asymptotic risk (which is overlapped by the exact risk for $n = 500$):

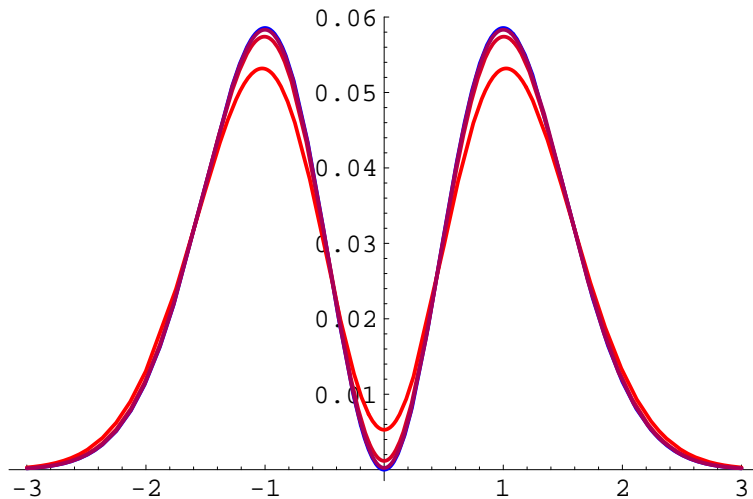


Figure 1: Exact risks of parametric density estimator for $n = 20, 100, 500$ together with asymptotic risk, as functions of x

The following plot shows the difference between the exact risk for $n = 500$ and the asymptotic risk (as a function of x):

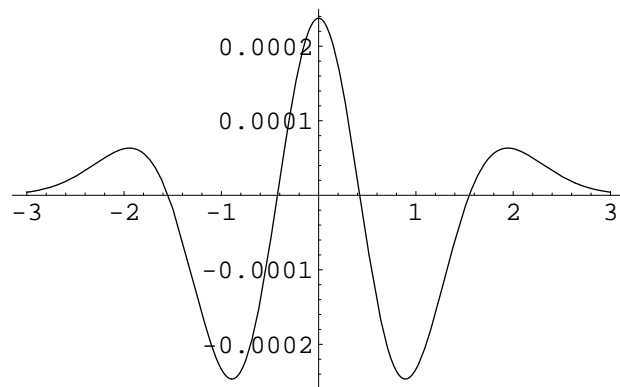


Figure 2: Difference, exact risk for $n = 500$ minus asymptotic risk of parametric density estimator

2. (a) Consider the kernel density estimator defined in (6.26), Wasserman, page 132. Show that if the density f and the kernel k satisfy the hypotheses of Wasserman's theorem 6.28, page 133, and $h = h_n$ satisfies the hypotheses of Theorem 6.27, then for fixed $x \in \mathbb{R}$,

$$\sqrt{nh_n}(\hat{f}_n(x) - E\hat{f}_n(x)) \rightarrow_d N\left(0, f(x) \int k^2(x)dx\right).$$

(b) Under what restriction on h_n does it follow (from (a) together with further analysis of the bias) that

$$\sqrt{nh_n}(\hat{f}_n(x) - f(x)) \rightarrow_d N\left(0, f(x) \int k^2(x)dx\right)?$$

(c) If $h_n = cn^{-1/5}$ and the hypotheses of (a) hold, find the limiting distribution of $\sqrt{nh_n}(\hat{f}_n(x) - f(x))$.

(d) Under the same assumptions as in (c), find the limiting distribution of $\sqrt{nh_n}(\sqrt{\hat{f}_n(x)} - \sqrt{f(x)})$.

(e) Suppose that $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$ with $x < y$. Find the joint limiting distribution of $(\sqrt{nh_n}(\hat{f}_n(x) - f(x)), \sqrt{nh_n}(\hat{f}_n(y) - f(y)))$ under the assumptions in (b) and (c).

Solution: (a) First write

$$\begin{aligned} & \sqrt{nh_n}(\hat{f}_n(x) - E\hat{f}_n(x)) \\ &= \sqrt{nh_n} \left(\frac{1}{nh_n} \sum_{i=1}^n k((x - X_i)/h_n) - \frac{1}{h_n} Ek((x - X_1)/h_n) \right) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{\sqrt{nh_n}} (k((x - X_i)/h_n) - Ek((x - X_1)/h_n)) \\ &\equiv \sum_{i=1}^n X_{n,i} \end{aligned}$$

where the $X_{n,i}$'s are independent and identically distributed for each n , but with a distribution depending on n . Thus we will use the Lindeberg-Feller CLT. By easy calculations, $E(X_{n,i}) = 0$, and

$$\sigma_{n,i}^2 = Var(X_{n,i}) = \frac{1}{nh_n} \int \left(k((x - y)/h_n) - \int k((x - v)/h_n)f(v)dv \right)^2 f(y)dy,$$

so

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma_n^2 &= \sum_{i=1}^n \sigma_{n,i}^2 \\ &= \frac{1}{h_n} \int \left(k((x - y)/h_n) - \int k((x - v)/h_n)f(v)dv \right)^2 f(y)dy \\ &= \int k(z)^2 f(x - zh_n)dz - h_n \left(\int k(z)f(x - zh_n)dz \right)^2 \\ &\rightarrow f(x) \int k(z)^2 dz \end{aligned}$$

by the dominated convergence theorem (if, for example, f is bounded). It remains only to verify the Lindeberg condition:

$$\frac{1}{\sigma_n^2} \sum_{i=1}^n E\{|X_{n,i}|^2 \mathbf{1}\{|X_{n,i}| > \epsilon \sigma_n\}\} \rightarrow 0$$

as $n \rightarrow \infty$ for every $\epsilon > 0$. But

$$\begin{aligned} X_{ni} &\equiv \frac{1}{\sqrt{nh_n}} \left\{ k\left(\frac{x - X_i}{h_n}\right) - \int k\left(\frac{x - v}{h_n}\right) f(v) dv \right\} \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{nh_n}} k\left(\frac{x - X_i}{h_n}\right) - \frac{h_n}{\sqrt{nh_n}} \int k(z) f(x - zh_n) dz \\ &\equiv Y_{ni} - \sqrt{\frac{h_n}{n}} (f(x) + o(1)). \end{aligned}$$

Thus

$$\begin{aligned} |X_{ni}| &\leq |Y_{ni}| + \sqrt{\frac{h_n}{n}} (f(x) + o(1)), \\ |X_{ni}|^2 &\leq 2\{Y_{ni}^2 + \frac{h_n}{n} (f(x) + o(1))^2\}, \quad \text{and} \\ \{|X_{ni}| > \epsilon \sigma_n\} &\subset \{|Y_{ni}| \geq (1/2)\epsilon \sigma_n\} \cup \{\sqrt{h_n/n} (f(x) + o(1)) > (1/2)\epsilon \sigma_n\} \\ &= \{|Y_{ni}| \geq (1/2)\epsilon \sigma_n\} \end{aligned}$$

for n sufficiently large since the second event on the right is empty for large n . It follows that

$$\begin{aligned} &E|X_{n,i}|^2 \mathbf{1}\{|X_{n,i}| > \epsilon \sigma_n\} \\ &\leq 2E|Y_{n,i}|^2 \mathbf{1}\{|Y_{n,i}| > \epsilon \sigma_n/2\} + 2\frac{h_n}{n} (f(x) + o(1))^2 E\mathbf{1}\{|Y_{ni}| \geq (1/2)\epsilon \sigma_n\} \\ &\leq 2E|Y_{n,i}|^2 \mathbf{1}\{|Y_{n,i}| > \epsilon \sigma_n/2\} + \frac{2\frac{h_n}{n} (f(x) + o(1))^2}{((1/2)\epsilon \sigma_n)^2} E|Y_{n,i}|^2 \mathbf{1}\{|Y_{ni}| \geq (1/2)\epsilon \sigma_n\} \\ &= (2 + o(1))E|Y_{n,i}|^2 \mathbf{1}\{|Y_{n,i}| > \epsilon \sigma_n/2\}, \end{aligned}$$

and hence it suffices to show that

$$\sum_{i=1}^n E|Y_{n,i}|^2 \mathbf{1}\{|Y_{n,i}| > \epsilon\} \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{for all } \epsilon > 0.$$

But

$$\begin{aligned}
& \sum_{i=1}^n E|Y_{n,i}|^2 \mathbf{1}\{|Y_{n,i}| > \epsilon\} \\
&= \sum_{i=1}^n E \frac{k((x - X_i)/h_n)^2}{nh_n} \mathbf{1}\{k((x - X_i)/h_n) > \epsilon\sqrt{nh_n}\} \\
&= \frac{1}{h_n} \int k((x - y)/h_n)^2 \mathbf{1}\{k((x - y)/h_n) > \epsilon\sqrt{nh_n}\} f(y) dy \\
&= \int k^2(z) f(x - zh_n) \mathbf{1}\{k(z) > \epsilon\sqrt{nh_n}\} dz \\
&\rightarrow 0
\end{aligned}$$

by the dominated convergence theorem if $\|f\|_\infty < \infty$. Thus by the Lindeberg-Feller CLT it follows that $\sum_1^n X_{n,i}/\sigma_n \rightarrow N(0, 1)$. Since $\sigma_n^2 \rightarrow f(x) \int k^2(z) dz$, the conclusion follows.

(b) Note that the bias is

$$\begin{aligned}
E\hat{f}_n(x) - f(x) &= \int k(z) f(x - zh_n) dz - f(x) = \int k(z) \{f(x - zh_n) - f(x)\} dz \\
&= \int k(z) \frac{1}{2} f''(z_x^*) z^2 h_n^2 dz
\end{aligned}$$

where $|z_x^* - x| \leq |x - zh_n - x| = |z|h_n$. Thus if $f''(x)$ is bounded and $\sqrt{nh_n} h_n^2 \rightarrow 0$, the bias term is negligible and

$$\begin{aligned}
\sqrt{nh_n}(\hat{f}_n(x) - f(x)) &= \sqrt{nh_n}(\hat{f}_n(x) - E\hat{f}_n(x)) + \sqrt{nh_n}(E\hat{f}_n(x) - f(x)) \\
&\rightarrow_d N(0, f(x) \int k^2(z) dz) + 0 = N(0, f(x) \int k^2(z) dz).
\end{aligned}$$

Note that $\sqrt{nh_n} h_n^2 = (nh_n^5)^{1/2} \rightarrow 0$ if and only if $nh_n^5 \rightarrow 0$; i.e. if $h_n = o(n^{-1/5})$. Thus $h_n = cn^{-1/4}$ yields negligible bias when f'' exists (and is sufficiently bounded).

(c) When $h_n = cn^{-1/5}$, then the first display in (b) yields

$$\begin{aligned}
\sqrt{nh_n}(E\hat{f}_n(x) - f(x)) &= \sqrt{cn^{2/5}} c^2 n^{-2/5} \frac{1}{2} \int z^2 k(z) f''(z_x^*) dz \\
&\rightarrow \frac{c^{5/2}}{2} f''(x) \int z^2 k(z) dz \equiv B(c, f, k, x)
\end{aligned}$$

Thus it follows that

$$\begin{aligned}
\sqrt{nh_n}(\hat{f}_n(x) - f(x)) &= \sqrt{nh_n}(\hat{f}_n(x) - E\hat{f}_n(x)) + \sqrt{nh_n}(E\hat{f}_n(x) - f(x)) \\
&\rightarrow_d N(0, f(x) \int k^2(z)dz) + B(c, f, k) \\
&= N(B(c, f, k, x), f(x) \int k^2(z)dz).
\end{aligned}$$

(d) Under the assumptions in (c), it follows from the delta-method with $g(v) = v^{1/2}$ that for any x such that $f(x) > 0$ we have

$$\begin{aligned}
\sqrt{nh_n}(\sqrt{\hat{f}_n(x)} - \sqrt{f(x)}) &\rightarrow_d \frac{1}{2}f(x)^{-1/2}N\left(B(c, f, k), f(x) \int k^2(z)dz\right) \\
&= N\left(\frac{B(c, f, k, x)}{2\sqrt{f(x)}}, 4^{-1} \int k^2(z)dz\right).
\end{aligned}$$

Note that the variance now depends only on the kernel and not on f .

(e) To find the joint limiting distribution of $(\sqrt{nh_n}(\hat{f}_n(x) - f(x)), \sqrt{nh_n}(\hat{f}_n(y) - f(y)))$ we will use the Cramér - Wold device: let $(a, b) \in \mathbb{R}^2$. We will first show that

$$\begin{aligned}
a\sqrt{nh_n}(\hat{f}_n(x) - E\hat{f}_n(x)) + b\sqrt{nh_n}(\hat{f}_n(y) - E\hat{f}_n(y)) \\
\rightarrow_d N\left(0, a^2f(x) \int k^2(z)dz + b^2f(y) \int k^2(z)dz\right)
\end{aligned} \tag{2}$$

for each fixed $(a, b) \in \mathbb{R}^2$. This implies that

$$\begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{nh_n}(\hat{f}_n(x) - E\hat{f}_n(x)) \\ \sqrt{nh_n}(\hat{f}_n(y) - E\hat{f}_n(y)) \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow_d N_2\left(0, \begin{pmatrix} f(x) & 0 \\ 0 & f(y) \end{pmatrix} \int k^2(z)dz\right) \tag{3}$$

and will yield the desired results after analyzing the relevant bias terms. But

$$\begin{aligned}
&a\sqrt{nh_n}(\hat{f}_n(x) - E\hat{f}_n(x)) + b\sqrt{nh_n}(\hat{f}_n(y) - E\hat{f}_n(y)) \\
&= \frac{1}{nh_n} \sum_{i=1}^n \left\{ a \left\{ k\left(\frac{x - X_i}{h_n}\right) - \int k\left(\frac{x - v}{h_n}\right) f(v)dv \right\} \right. \\
&\quad \left. + b \left\{ k\left(\frac{y - X_i}{h_n}\right) - \int k\left(\frac{y - v}{h_n}\right) f(v)dv \right\} \right\} \\
&\equiv \sum_{i=1}^n \tilde{X}_{n,i}
\end{aligned}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned}\tilde{X}_{n,i} &\equiv \frac{1}{nh_n} \left\{ a \left\{ k\left(\frac{x-X_i}{h_n}\right) - \int k\left(\frac{x-v}{h_n}\right) f(v)dv \right\} \right. \\ &\quad \left. + b \left\{ k\left(\frac{y-X_i}{h_n}\right) - \int k\left(\frac{y-v}{h_n}\right) f(v)dv \right\} \right\}\end{aligned}$$

We compute $E\tilde{X}_{n,i} = 0$ as in (a), but now

$$\begin{aligned}\sigma_{ni}^2 &= Var(\tilde{X}_{n,i}) \\ &= (nh_n)^{-1} \left\{ a^2 n Var\{k((x-X_1)/h_n) + b^2 Var((y-X_1)/h_n) \right. \\ &\quad \left. + 2ab Cov(k((x-X_1)/h_n), k((y-X_1)/h_n)) \right\}\end{aligned}$$

so that

$$\begin{aligned}\sigma_n^2 &= \sum_{i=1}^n \sigma_{ni}^2 \\ &= h_n^{-1} \left\{ a^2 \int \left(k((x-w)/h_n) - \int k((x-v)/h_n) f(v)dv \right)^2 f(w)dw \right. \\ &\quad \left. + b^2 \int \left(k((y-w)/h_n) - \int k((y-v)/h_n) f(v)dv \right)^2 f(w)dw \right. \\ &\quad \left. + 2ab \int \left(k((x-w)/h_n) - \int k((x-v)/h_n) f(v)dv \right) \right. \\ &\quad \left. \left(k((y-w)/h_n) - \int k((y-v)/h_n) f(v)dv \right) f(w)dw \right\} \\ &\rightarrow a^2 f(x) \int k^2(z)dz + b^2 f(y) \int k^2(z)dz + 0\end{aligned}$$

where the argument for the first two terms is exactly as in (a), and the third term converges to 0 since

$$\begin{aligned}&h_n^{-1} \int \left(k((x-w)/h_n) - \int k((x-v)/h_n) f(v)dv \right) \\ &\quad \left(k((y-w)/h_n) - \int k((y-v)/h_n) f(v)dv \right) f(w)dw \\ &= h_n^{-1} \int \left(k((x-w)/h_n) - h_n^2(f(x) + o(1)) \right) \\ &\quad \left(k((y-w)/h_n) - h_n^2(f(y) + o(1)) \right) f(w)dw \\ &= \int k\left(z - \frac{y-x}{h_n}\right) k(z) f(y-zh_n) dz + O(h_n) \\ &\rightarrow \int k(-\infty) k(z) dz f(y) = 0\end{aligned}$$

by the dominated convergence theorem if f and k are bounded using $(y-x)/h_n \rightarrow \infty$ since $y-x > 0$ and $h_n \rightarrow 0$. Since $|\tilde{X}_{n,i}| \leq |a||X_{n,i}(x)| + |b||X_{n,i}(y)|$, verification of the Lindeberg condition proceeds as in (a). Thus by the Lindeberg-Feller CLT, (2) holds, and this in turn yields (3).

3. (a) Wasserman, problem 6.9.3, page 143: prove that $\hat{J}(h)$ is an unbiased estimate of $J(h)$ for histograms and kernel density estimates.
 (b) Show that (6.35) on page 136 holds.

Solution: (a) First the case of kernel density estimates: here

$$J(h) = \int \hat{f}_n(x)^2 dx - 2 \int \hat{f}_n(x)f(x)dx, \quad \text{and}$$

$$\hat{J}(h) = \int \hat{f}_n(x)^2 dx - \frac{2}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \hat{f}_{(-i)}(X_i),$$

so to show that $E\{\hat{J}(h)\} = E\{J(h)\}$, it suffices to show that

$$E \left\{ \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \hat{f}_{(-i)}(X_i) \right\} = E \left\{ \int \hat{f}_n(x)f(x)dx \right\}. \quad (4)$$

Now the right side in the last display is

$$\begin{aligned} E \left\{ \int \hat{f}_n(x)f(x)dx \right\} &= \int E\{\hat{f}_n(x)\}f(x)dx \\ &= \iint \frac{1}{h}k\left(\frac{x-y}{h}\right) f(y)dyf(x)dx, \end{aligned}$$

while the left side is, by conditioning on X_i ,

$$\begin{aligned} E \left\{ \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \hat{f}_{(-i)}(X_i) \right\} &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n E \left\{ E(\hat{f}_{(-i)}(X_i)|X_i) \right\} \\ &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n E \left\{ \int \frac{1}{h}k\left(\frac{X_i-x}{h}\right) f(x)dx \right\} \\ &= \iint \frac{1}{h}k\left(\frac{y-x}{h}\right) f(y)dyf(x)dx \\ &= \iint \frac{1}{h}k\left(\frac{x-y}{h}\right) f(y)dyf(x)dx \end{aligned}$$

by Fubini's theorem. Comparing the last two displays yields the claim.

In the case of histogram estimators, it again suffices to show that (4) holds. But

$$\begin{aligned} E \left\{ \int \widehat{f}_n(x) f(x) dx \right\} &= \int E \{ \widehat{f}_n(x) \} f(x) dx = \int \sum_{j=1}^m \frac{p_j}{h} 1_{B_j}(x) f(x) dx \\ &= \sum_{j=1}^m \frac{p_j^2}{h}, \end{aligned}$$

and, on the other hand,

$$\begin{aligned} E \left\{ \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \widehat{f}_{(-i)}(X_i) \right\} &= E \left\{ E \left\{ n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n \widehat{f}_{(-i)}(X_i) \mid X_i \right\} \right\} \\ &= E \left\{ n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^m \frac{p_j}{h} 1_{B_j}(X_i) \right\} \\ &= \sum_{j=1}^m \frac{p_j}{h} \int_{B_j} f(x) dx = \sum_{j=1}^m \frac{p_j^2}{h}, \end{aligned}$$

and hence we conclude that (again) $E\{\widehat{J}(h)\} = E\{J(h)\}$.

(b) The claimed identity is

$$\widehat{J}(h) = \frac{1}{n^2 h} \sum_i \sum_j k^* \left(\frac{X_i - X_j}{h} \right) + \frac{2}{nh} k(0) + O(n^{-2})$$

where $k^*(x) = k^{(2)}(x) - 2k(x)$ and $k^{(2)}(z) = \int k(z-y)k(y)dy$. To check this, write

$$\widehat{f}_n^2(x) = \frac{1}{n^2 h^2} \sum_i \sum_j k \left(\frac{x - X_i}{h} \right) k \left(\frac{x - X_j}{h} \right)$$

so that, with $k^{(2)}(z) = \int k(z-y)k(y)dy$,

$$\begin{aligned} \int \widehat{f}_n^2(x) dx &= \frac{1}{n^2 h^2} \sum_i \sum_j \int k \left(\frac{x - X_i}{h} \right) k \left(\frac{x - X_j}{h} \right) dx \\ &= \frac{1}{n^2 h^2} \sum_i \sum_j \int k \left(\frac{X_j + hy - X_i}{h} \right) k(y) h dy \\ &\quad \text{by the change of variables } (x - X_j)/h = y, \quad x = X_j + hy \\ &= \frac{1}{n^2 h} \sum_i \sum_j \int k \left(y - \frac{X_i - X_j}{h} \right) k(y) dy \\ &= \frac{1}{n^2 h} \sum_i \sum_j k^{(2)} \left(\frac{X_i - X_j}{h} \right) \end{aligned}$$

if we assume that $k(z) = k(-z)$.

Similarly,

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \widehat{f}_{(-i)}(X_i) &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j \neq i} \frac{1}{(n-1)h} k\left(\frac{X_i - X_j}{h}\right) \\
&= \frac{1}{n(n-1)h} \sum_i \sum_j k\left(\frac{X_i - X_j}{h}\right) - \frac{1}{n-1} k(0) \\
&= \frac{1}{n^2 h} \sum_i \sum_j k\left(\frac{X_i - X_j}{h}\right) - \frac{1}{n} k(0) + O_p(n^{-1})
\end{aligned}$$

Putting these pieces together yields the claimed identity, but with a remainder term which is $O_p(n^{-1})$ rather than $O_p(n^{-2})$. Thus it seems that the computational formula should really read as follows:

$$\widehat{J}(h) = \frac{1}{n^2 h} \sum_i \sum_j k^{(2)}\left(\frac{X_i - X_j}{h}\right) - \frac{2}{n(n-1)h} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j \neq i} k\left(\frac{X_i - X_j}{h}\right).$$